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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SOPN, PORS, TH, US

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE ON ALLEGED POLICE  
TRAINING

1. WASHINGTON POST'S DAVID GREENWAY HAS INFORMED US THAT DEC. 13 EDITIONS MAY CONTAIN STORY BY JOHN BURGESS, FORMER POST STRINGER HERE, ALLEGING US INVOLVEMENT IN FIREARMS TRAINING FOR THAI POLICE IN VIOLATION OF CONGRESSIONAL RESTRICTIONS.
2. GREENWAY SUGGESTED THAT POST NOT SURE OF ITS STORY AND WANTED TO CHECK WITH EMBASSY BEFORE USING. HE SAID IF WE DENIED SUBSTANCE OF REPORT, STORY MIGHT BE KILLED. HE PLANNED TO CALL POST FOREIGN EDITOR DEC. 12 WITH OUR DENIAL:
3. "THIS EMBASSY STRICTLY ABIDES BY ALL US LEGISLATION REGARDING ASSISTANCE TO FOREIGN POLICE. WE ARE NOT ENGAGED IN ANY PARAMILITARY ACTIVITY, INCLUDING FIREARMS TRAINING, WITH ANY THAI POLICE. WE ASSIST THAI POLICE ONLY AS PERMITTED BY US LEGISLATION -- THAT IS, IN THE MUTUAL EFFORT TO STOP INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING IN NARCOTICS. THE PRESS REPORT, ATTRIBUTED ONLY TO AN UNNAMED SOURCE, IS TOTALLY WITHOUT FOUNDATION".  
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